

February 20, 2004
Montana Medicaid Notice
Hospital Providers

Mass Adjustments

Beginning in March, providers will see mass adjustments on various codes with dates of service from August 1, 2003 through February, 2004. All outpatient claims will be adjusted in order to correct the following:

Mass Adjustments	
Category	Reason
Codes affected by Medicare's outpatient prospective payment system update	Installation of the new APC update and new grouper for January 1, 2004
ICD-9 Diagnosis codes	Changes in the emergency diagnosis list going back to August 1, 2003
New ICD-9 Diagnosis codes as of 10/01/03	Installation of the new APC grouper had not been completed yet, and several claims posted an exception which states that procedure codes are inconsistent with diagnosis codes on the claim.
Various vaccine and injection codes, therapy (physical, occupational, and speech), radiation therapy, orthotic and prosthetic codes, and cane and crutch codes	These codes were not originally included in the fee schedule correctly
Various lab codes	Denied in error as having no fee on file

Contact Information

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations:

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For more information, visit the Provider Information website:

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